

finished. When I say almost, 100 percent of it needs to be done, and 99 percent of that has been done.

We have taken out the language the Republicans did not want, especially the President, dealing with the union situation. Even though it was hard for us to swallow, we took that out to make it more palatable to my friends on the other side. We will come back in September rested and invigorated and ready to do some other things for the country.

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I would add with regard to the appropriations bills, as the majority leader knows, I have said both publicly and to

him privately, it is my preference to pass each of the bills. We are running considerably behind the House. We have got a long way to go, but I think there will be a lot of cooperation on our side in trying to get the appropriations bills signed and get them down to the President. We have a recent history of malfunction on both sides. Last year when the majority was in my party, we failed to pass 11 out of 13 appropriations bills. In 2002, when the Democrats were in the majority, they did the same thing. So there is ample opportunity to point fingers at both sides for not completing the appropriations process as we should. But I would pre-

dict to the majority leader there will be a great deal of cooperation on our side in getting through that, moving as rapidly as possible so we can function as we should.

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ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M.  
TOMORROW

Mr. REID. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent the Senate stand adjourned under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 6:45 p.m., adjourned until Wednesday, July 25, 2007, at 9:30 a.m.